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In re Patent Application of)	MAIL STOP RCE
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ON EXPANDED POLYMERS)	Confirmation No.: 6151

**AMENDMENT ACCOMPANYING REQUEST FOR
CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE) PURSUANT TO 37 C.F.R. § 1.114**

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Sir:

In connection with Applicants' Request for Continued Examination (RCE), and in response to the Final Official Action mailed December 11, 2008, Applicants provide the following amendments and remarks: